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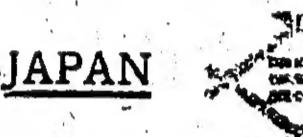
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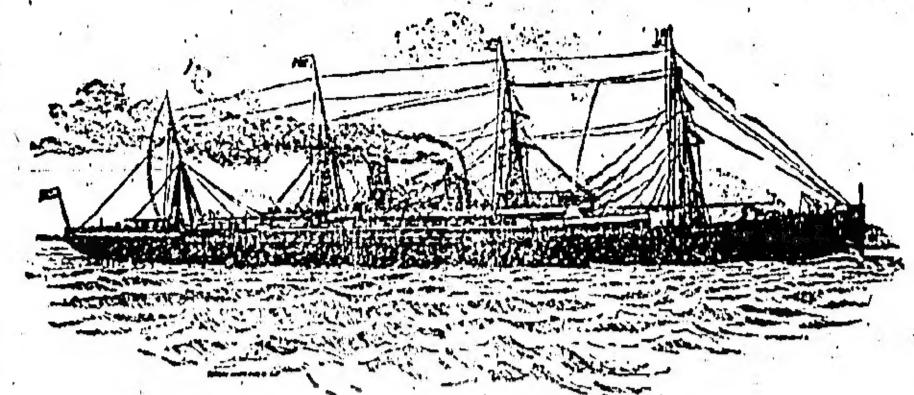
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statement :-

Mr. Manhichi Takenouchi and I, both of the Kanegafuchi Cotton Mill, and Mr. Kokichi Tsuji of the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha left Newchwang for the interior of Manchuria at the beginning of September for the purpose of ascertaining what kind of cotton yarns, the Chinese would take and what manner of transactions they would prefer. War rumours were in the air, and it was considered to be dangerous to venture far inland. We therefore visited Lianyang, Moukden, Tiehling, etc., and their outlying districts.

The arrest took place at Haiping on the morning of September 23. We were then waiting for a train in order to go to Kaiping. Mr. Takenouchi was walking beyond the railway tracks, when some Russian soldiers suddenly arrested him, on suspicion of his having entered something into his note-book, Mr. Tsuji and I were also arrested on account of our being in his company. We were then brought. before the commander of the Russian garrison, who asked us the purpose and destination of our journey and searched our clothes and baggage. Finally it was announced that the examination was not completed, and a little past midnight, we were put on board a train in custody of of several soldiers. For fifteen hours we were left whithout food:

We were told that our destination was Tashinchiao, but the train was running northwards, instead of to the south. There was a Japanese in the carriage, and not suspecting that we were in custody, he asked us our destination. I was impatient to let him know that we were in the clutches of the Russian military authorities, and was going to answer when our guards became angry, struck the Japanese traveller, and finally forced him out of the carriage.

Under such conditions it was vain to hope for communications with our countrymen, even if we were lucky enough to meet one of 5them. So I bribed the Russian soldiers and bought beer for them, with the result that their manner greatly softened and they began to talk with us. At a station called Kuanchengtsze, I descried a Japanese on the platform, and sauntered out from the carriage. As a Russian soldier of course followed me, I gave him some money. But as it was out of the question to address the Japanese openly, I drew him to a cigarette stall, and while buying cigarettes, asked him to inform the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha at Newchwang of our arrest. "

The train stopped at Harbin on the 25th, at 2 p.m., when I was able to send a Japanese for Mr. Kawai, of the Mitsui Bussan office at Dalny, who was then staying at Harbin. He came to the station, saw us, talked to the Russian soldiers, and said to us: "Be at ease! I will do something."

We were then conveyed to the Russian barracks at Harb'n, where we were imprisoned for about 24 hours without any court proceedings. On the 26th, at 2 p.m., we were again put in a train bound for Port Arthur. A Russian officer and four soldiers guarded us.

Meanwhile the Mitsui Bussan's office at Dalny, receiving a telegram from Mr. Kawai, was deeply anxious about our fate, and sent one of its officials, Mr. Fujioka, to the station, where there is fal junction and the name of which I have forgotten. Mr. Fujioka was awaiting us, and on our arrival there he came into our train. We saw each other, but were not able to converse. He remained with us until we arrived at Port Arthur on the 28th, at 4 p.m., when we were conveyed in a carriage to the General Staff Office. En route, however, Mr. Fojioka lost track of us having been unable to keep near for fear that the Russians should suspect his purpose.

We were kept at the Staff Office for three or four hours, but the Russians did not examine us. By and by, we were cast separately into the Russian prison, where we remained for the subsequent 30 days without trial,

There is a Japanese firm called the Yoshida Shoten at Port Arthur. It is purveyor to the Russian army and has business connections with the Mitsui Bussan. Mr. Fujioka, troubled at losing track of us, was consulting with the people of the firm, when a Russian soldier appeared and asked if they could prepare Japanese food for three persons. The Japanese rightly conjectured that the food was for us, and consented to supply it. This arrangement enabled them to learn our fate and ourselves to know that the Yoshida firm was still unmolested at Port Arthur, and that the world was still at peace. What we apprehended most was war, in the event of which we should have been butchered. On 27th October, we were tried for the first time by the Court Martial, Mr. Hino, representative of the Japanese at Port Arthur, interpreting. The Chief Procurator and the chief of a police station, who was a Major, took down the description of the route we had travelled, the object of the journey, etc., and made us sign affidavits. The next day, a soldier tossed us our baggage and announced that we might go. We were all very weak, and therefore lodged a night at the Yoshida firm, and returned to Newchwang by the Nantsu Maru. We spent It days in the prison, besides 5 days in travelling in Russian custody.

The prison at Port Arthur is enclosed by high walls and contains 17 or 18 cells. Each. cell is oft. wide and oft, long; the door consists of tremendously thick boards; the walls are of brick one foot in thickness and the floor is made of cement. The cell has only one window of about 3ft, square, which has a lattice of iron bars, and double panes of thick glass beyond the lattice. The door has also a hole of about five inches equare, through which food

is.admitted... The hole-is-about-sit-sin-above-f the floor. The furniture of the cell consists of an iron bed, straw matting two inches thick, and a table. Each cell is guarded by a soldier and there are always about 50 more on duty in The experiences of the three Japanese the courtyard. Their vigilance is something merchants, who were recently imprisoned at beyond belief. They would never permit us Port Arthur by the Russians, are published in to sleep for two consecutive hours. Every the Jiji and the Chugai Shogy. Mr. Hajime time they were relieved, they would knock at Yamana, one of the party, makes the following the door with their swords or kick it until we responded.

The monotony of the prison life was unparalleled. We had nothing to read or to do. For 31 days we had to brood over our fate. / source of unspeakable misery was the thinness of our clothes. I was attired in a summer suit of alpaca and white trousers, and had nothing with which to keep myself warm except a.thir blanket, and it was snowing when we were released. The cold seemed to reach the marrow, and I thought I should be frozen to death before long. Our guards were greedy beyond description. Without bribes, they would do nothing for us. Some of them would thrust their hands into our pockets and ask us in bad Chin se if there was any money in them. If we answered in the affirmative, they would press us for a tip. Often enough they took money to buy us food and then failed to do so. In this manner prison life cost me some 60 yen in the shape of bribes to the Russian soldiers; to say nothing of a hundred

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THE Steamship

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. MELCHERS & CO.,

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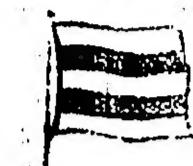
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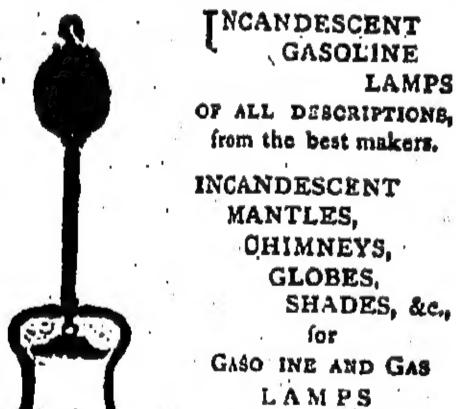
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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1993.

OUR NAVAL SQUADRON.

H. M. S. Amphitrite left the Dock Shanghal Sport and Gossip published a moorings in the harbour about four o'clock yesterday afternoon. It will be remembered that this ship went into dock during the latter end of November for extensive repairs to her keel and sheathing. She is now ready' for sea again and the Whampoa Dock Company must be congratulated upon the rapidity with which they have completed the job. We notice that, although many of the ships in the fleet are by no means due for docking, they are all being got ready for and coated with fresh composition. In conjunction with this fact, we understand that they are being completed with stores and ammunition sufficient for a prolonged cruise, These Wines are specially suited for and it is therefore evident that preparations are deemed necessary in case the fleet may be needed up. North, at short notice. The general trend of opinion in Naval circles here, as regards the possibilities of war and of ourselves being drawn into it, seems to point to the improbability of such a crisis. Should diplomacy fail and Japan have recourse to arms, it is extremely hard to forecaste what might be the developments; but there is little doubt that the prospects of a naval action are so appalling that other nations would hesitate before becoming involved, even at the risk of endangering their interests. It is generally accepted that: a naval battle would be fought at long range on account of torpedoes, and, if this is so, it is difficult to see in what way an action would be decided. The vulnerable parts of the more modern battleships out here are so well protected by armour that, at long range, something in the nature of three thousand yards, they are impenetrable. That is all very well in theory, but in practice the question arises as to what would be the effect on the gun's crews when a shell struck the ship. In South Africa most of the lyddite shells exploded without detonating, but against armour they would certainly detonate and the results would be very different to explosion; as different in character as a push is from a sharp blow. The effect of detonation is to shatter everything in the vicinity, and we may well suppose that after a ship had received a few shells against her side, hardly a man would be left to fight the guns. These anticipations are, however, built upon the effects of the Belleisle trials and similar experiments, and no one can pretend to say positively what the effect upon a ship's crev would be in reality. It may be that the powers of our present armamen have been over-estimated; but, mean while, the prevailing dread of a fleet action is a healthy restraint upon the dogs of war It has been said by some that, if Russia and Japan go to war, it would " clear the air " but if clearing the air would destroy that wholesome fear of modern ordnance in any

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measure, it is to be hoped that the atmos-

phere will remain clouded for a very long time

to come. Meanwhile, we are pleased to

know that our fleet in these waters is ready

to put to sea if required at short notice, and

that the Amphitrite is once more on the

active list.

THE German Mail of the 25th November was delivered in London on the 28th inst.

A SMOKING concert is being held at the Water Police Station, at Kowloon, on New Year's Eve.

THE Columbia, the sailing boat, nineteen feet long, in which Captain Elsenbrawn left Boston August 11th alone for Marseilles, arrived

at Gibraltar on 20th ult.

ACCORDING to the P. & T. Times it is generally accepted in official circles in Peking that, in consequence of the Manchurian occupation, Great Britain will very shortly appoint a Governor for the Yangtte, which will then become like Hongkong.

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PARCEL mails for Europe, &c., per as. Similar will close at 5 p.m. on Thursday, the 31st inst.

On one of the leading morning papers in London two ed.tors have been compelled to leave because they refused to write in support of Mr. Chamberlain's policy.

LIEUT. Lewis C. Hamilton, U. S. A, who was "wanted" on a charge of forging a cheque upon the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank's Manila branch, has been arrested in Washing-

THE Arthur Hill Variety Company announce an entirely new performance and change of all acts at the Theatre Royal this evening. A special holiday matinee will be given on New Year's Day at 3 p.m.

KING Edward has decided that he is unable to accept the invitation to send some of his horses to the St. I ouis exposition. The declination is accompanied by an expression of much regret. The King has made it an invariable rule not to enter horses in a handicap

Company's hands and went to her flash number for Christmas, in which the jovial "Daybreak" announces that arrangements are in progress whereby the paper will, in the new year, take on a new lease of life. He will have a difficult task to outdo the Christmas

> THE North London authorities have adopted a novel method for suppressing the over-crowding of street cars. Finding the arrest and fining of conductors was insufficient they are now resorting to the arrest of passengers, including women, whom the magistrates fine for "aiding and abetting " conductors in contravening the anti-crowding law.

> IT will be remembered that in the big squali at the beginning of September we mentioned that the lightship which marked the end of the North West Breakwater at Colombo sank, and the valuable light with which it was fitted was irrecoverably lost. The position of the sunkenvessel was discovered by the divers, and the boat was successfully lifted recently."

> THE edition of the Rheinisch Westfaelische Zeitung of Essen has been confiscated for lese majeste. The paper contained an article translated from Henry Labouchere's London Truth giving an alleged interview with the late 'Professor Mommsen, in which Emperor W. Iliam was sharply criticized. The newspaper is one of the leading national Liberal organs in West

> WE have received several sample heads not lettuce from the gardens of the Hongkong-New Territory Cultivation Co., near Shatin. Some idea may be gathered of the splendid results obtained from the fact that the smallest of these tips the scales at a pound and a half Mr. Bishop, who is in charge of the Company plantations, is to be congratulated on th success of his efforts.

ON the 17th inst., the shipping and passenger trade in Chefoo was being, seriously inconvenienced by a sampan strike. The Taotai instituted a monthly tax on the sampans in the harbour, a measure which was very much resented by the men, and all struck and refused work. One or two who did not join them, or took on jobs, were severely mauled and their sampans destroyed, and a spy from the yamen who was detected was very roughly handled, and seriously injured.

PRINCESS Alice, wife of Prince Frederic of Schoenburg-Waldenburg, disappeared from the Prince's castle at Gauernitz, near Heisser Saxony, on Nov. 9, and no trace of her has since been found. Her coachman, a young and handsome man, vanished at the same time an it is not doubted that they cloped, as it has been learned from reliable sources that th relations between the couple were ver intimate. Princess Alice is a daughter of Don

THE Novee Vremya, in a recent article, declared that if the British succeeded in carrying out their plans Thibet will be in their hands, as they will always be in a position to threater Lhassa, and if they gain control of the Holy Land of Thibet, that the 500,000,000 Buddhists will regard Great Britain as being the most powerful country in the world. The Novoe Vrėmya adds:-" While it is impossible for the weak Thibetans to prevent the British crossing the Himalayas, it is quite possible for others compel the British to stop by creating a slight diversion in some direction disagreeable to the British politicians."

A curious letter has been published from. correspondent of a provincial paper stated that commanded to acknowledge the receipt of in reply to say that the King never expresses any opinion on political matters except on the advice of his responsible Ministers, and that therefore the statement Mr. Marks refers to in the fiscal system with disapproval.

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expenses has come to light, Lieut. Colonel at Delagoa Bay, Portuguese East Africa, in P. F. Robertson, late 92nd Highlanders, stating | March on a visit to the South African coloin the London Times that he was deprived of his Command because he refused to pay a regimental drag subscription during the five years

he was away from the Regiment.

VICEROY Tsen tried recently to raise a loan of 1,500,000 taels from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank; but the latter wanted him first to give a guarantee from the Wai Wu-pu through Sir Erne t Satow. The Wai Wu-pu hestitates to give this and meanwhile the bank likewise | Chaplain, Bro. H. B. Townsend; Treasurer, hesitates to part with its money. Tsen is now trying if he cannot get the coin from other sources .- China Gasette.

LETTERS which have reached official quarters in London from Berlin state, that an endeavour is being m d to persuade the Kaiser to undertake a cruise in the Mediterranean or some other warm climate during the winter. Though this would fall in with his Majesty's wishes he provisions will be of a drastic character, and considers it doubtful whether the trip, owing to the pressure of State affairs, would afford him that rest and freedom from anxiety which the | directed to the exclusion of alien criminals, of doctors insid upon. The Kaiser, moreover, cannot reconcile himself to the idea of being separated from his family at Christmastide.

MR. Henry Lancaster Satow, nephew of Sir | tains provisions which are intended to put re-Ernest Satow, was married on 13th ult. at St. strictions on the immigration of pauper aliens Stephen's Church, Gloucester-road, London, to Miss Edith Baillie. Among the numerous guests bidden to the wedding were the Earl of Haddington and the Ladies Baillie-Hamilton. the Earl and Countess of Aberdeen, Lady Marjoric Gordon, Lord and Lady Binning, Lord and Lady Balfour of Burleigh, Lord and Lady Polwarth, Lady Harriet Lindsay and Miss Lindsay, Mrs. Francis Lindsay, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Vorke.

FROM telegrams: which it is understood have been received at the India Office from Calcutta, it would appear to be probable that, in the event of the operations in Tibet being on a larger scale than at present contemplated, the Government could rely upon the material, as well as the moral, assistance of the Ameer of A'ghanistan. This assistance would consist in the provision of transport, stores, and guides, and would also, in certain eventualities, relieve the British force of the necessity for keeping up its own lines of communication with its

LETTERS received from various parts of the Empire contain news of the rapid spread of the Anti-Russian movement in the country and the establishment of Anti-Russian societies with the avowed object of strengthening the hands of the Government in opposing the permanent occupation of Manchuria by Russia. In Canton also there has been started a Society of this kind whose membership is being daily augmented to an encouraging degree. Branch societiés are also being_rapidly organised in other cities of Kwangtung and Kwangsi provinces.

REPRESENTATIONS are being privately made to both the War and the India Offices as to the necessity of giving an absolute preference to British shipowners for the transport Government material, whether their rates be lower than those of the foreigner or not. It urged that a foreign ship, being once in British waters with so much cargo in the shape of rails, steel work, coal, &c., guaranteed by the Government contract, makes a point of taking general cargo at rates which would not otherwise pay, with the result that British shipowners are practically doubly deprived by the Government

THE Tainfu (Shantung) correspondent of the N. C. Daily News wrote, on 10th inst:-The Germans are active in this region just now. Parties are here continually surveying and taking observations, ostensibly for the purpose of making a correct map of the country. There is much cariosity excited among the people in consequence, but the main effect of it is to stimulate inquiries as to trade prospects. Al about the country we are asked if we think such and such places are favourable for development of business. We are still supposed, of course, to be possessed of unlimited powers for discerning the occult forces of nature.

IT is said that steps are to be taken for the formation of an Australian Commonwealth Bank. The scheme was originally proposed over two years age, but its realisation was postponed owing to the war and the unsettled state of affairs in the Australian colonies generally. The plan involves the obtaining of a special charter, so that the bank would have more or less the same relation to the Commonwealth as the Bank of England possesses to the home Government. It is possible, however, that opposition may be offered to this by some of the older colonial banks, which have hitherto been accustomed to share Government business.

King Edward on the fiscal fight, A London | IT, is reported that M. Louis, the Director of the Consular and Commercial Department of his Majesty would view any change of the fiscal the French Foreign Office, is expected in system with disapproval. Somebody wrote to London shortly for the purpose of making the King asking if this statement was true, and private inquiries into the working of our got the reply:-"The Private Secretary is Consular and Commercial Departments." It is said to strike the French, and indeed, most Mr. Percy Marks's letter of the 17th inst., and I foreign minds, as peculiar that our Commercial Department is separated from our Consular Department; and, although there are many anomalies in our system in this respect, would seem to be inadvisable to turn the Conmust be inaccurate." Grammatically this would | sular service over to the Board of Trade, in mean that his Majesty did not view a change view of the diplomatic character of the services which its members often have to render.

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ANOTHER scandal in connection with military | THE King of Portugal is expected to arrive

THE Grand Master of Hongkong and South China, the Rt. Wor, Bro. E. C. Ray, last evening installed Wor. Bro. J. W. L. Oliver as R. W. M. of Zetland Lodge, No. 525 E.C., for the ersuing year, in succession to Wor. Bro. B. Brotherton Harker. . Wor. Bro. Oliver installed his officers as follows:-Senior Warden, Bro. H. Sykes; Junior Warden, Bro. W. H. Purcell; Wor, Bro. G. J. B. Sayer; Secretary, Wor. Bro. J. Piercy (jun.); Senior Deacon Bro. A. E. Crapnall; Dir. of Ceremonies, Bro. J. C. Lowe; Organist, Bro. C. F. L. Donkin: Inner Guard, Bro. J. Parkes; Tyler, Bro. J. Vanstone; Stewards, Bros. W. King and C. R. Fittock.

THE Home Office, there is reason to believe, is engaged on an Alien Immigration Bill. will go further than the recommendation made by the Alien Commission. . If the measure is whom, according to the Recorder of London, a great number are dumped down in this country, it would meet with general support. This is a kind of dumping which all parties will agree to restrict. If, moreover, the bill con--that is to say, immigrants who are likely to become chargeable to the rates-these also would command a great deal of sympathy. Should, however, the bill go further, and attempt to place a prohibition against the entrance of all foreigners belonging to the labouring classes into this country, it would raise serious questions. It is doubtful if Parliament would accept legislation of so sweeping a character, and even if it did, an exclusion bill of this character, would get the Government into difficulties with other Powers -Liverpoor

THE FLEET.

H.M.S. "AMPHITRITE."

We understand that the Amphitrite, which was supposed to be going to Mirs Bay directly she came out of dock, is prolonging her stay until the fourth of next month.

H.M.S. "GLORY." The Glory is refitting at Hunghom dock in preparation for her new commission. Most of her officers and crew are hulked in the Tamas awaiting the paying off. The ship is at present

having her decks renewed and her machinery

overhauled, and will shortly have her bottom

cleaned and coated with composition.

THE NEW TERRITORY.

(From Our Correspondent.)

December 29. Things are quiet generally in the New Territory, the only item of local interest being the weather, which has been the severest experienced for a good many years. Several sharp frosts occurred last week, and the fields of sweet potatoes bear evident proof of their passage; the leaves of the plants being quite black. Crops will be delayed in consequence of this cold snap.

Mr. Waight of the I. M. C. has been promoted to the post, of assistant-examiner and tran ferred from Sha-tau-kok to Holhow. B has been replaced by Mr. Edmon. CULTIVATION.

CUSTOMS PROMOTIONS.

Splendid progress has been made by the Hongkong-New Territory Cultivation Co., and there are now about 350 more of land under cultivation. The winter crop of vegetables is a splendid one and consists of cabbages sweedes, tomatoes, potatoes, radishes and lettuce. All the seed used is of American origin, Messrs. Peter Henderson & Co., of New York, being the purveyors. For manuring purposes American fertilisers are used, consisting mainly of pea-nut cake and saltpetre. About 200,000 cabbages are now ou and in splendid condition, and most of the plants might figure with success in our agricultural exhibitions at home. In the summer months tobacco and hemp is cultivated on the ground now laid out for market-garden produce. All work is done under strict Europear supervision, and to this can be attributed the excellent results obtained.

ROADS.

Access to Mao-tam, in the Santin district, is by no means easy, owing to the deplorable Fx. condition of the roads, which are little better than mountain tracks. It is to be hoped that the authorities will see their way to bring about some improvement in this respect.

SPORT.

Local sportsmen have suffered disappointment this year, for snipe and quail are extremely rare. There are numerous wild pigeon, however, and shooters who go in for this branch of sport can rely on a day's tramp through the fields resulting in a good bag Great numbers of duck and teal still frequent Deep Bay, but the difficulty of getting anywhere within range, owing to the mud flats, does away with any chance of securing any of these wily birds.

CATTLE DISEASE.

There has been an outbreak of cattle disease at Chek-un, and about 70 head out of a herdof 100, belonging to a Chinese breeder, have been lost in a very short space of time. It seems that the epidemic has now died out, for no further losses have occurred during the last week or so.

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TURE TOPICS.

The Kroungtah, which arrived from Shanghai on Nonday, brought two Derby griffins, and Algerine and Vancouver (two old ponies who ran a record St. Leger at Shanghai, for Mr. Craig; the water Dardy for Mr. Gray; and Primo and another China pony. Training work is now in progress, Mr. Lewis's No. 49 and Mr. Marshall's No. 14 baving made several half-mile runs, while the animals owned by Mr. Mody and other gentlemen are being trotted out during the morning.

EARLY BIRD.

COLONIAL LITERARY NOTE.

Mr. T. Fisher Unwin is publishing a special Colonial edition of Grain or Chaf? The Autobiography of a Police Magistrate. In this volume Mr.A. C. Plowden, the well known Police Magistrate at Marylebone, whose piquant utterances are a constant source of entertainment to Londoners, gives his recollections of the leading incidents of a life which, if not remarkable for 'moving adventures by flood or field' can hardly fail to have an interest for those who find in the daily records of the law courts the most vivid presentment of human nature, in all its varying phases. 'As Law Reporter to the Times for many years and a familiar figure on the Oxford Circuit, Mr. Plowden had exceptional opportunity of observing the course of many memorable trials and coming in personal contact with some of our greatest judges; but it is as a Police Magistrate at Marylebone that Mr. Plowden's reputation has been acquired; and his personal recollections in that capacity, extending over 15 years, are likely to excite curiosity among a wide circle of readers and should prove crisp and entertaining reading.

A new volume which he is adding to his Library is The Stronger Claim by Alice Perrin. The book is a remarkable study of Indian life. Its theme is the effect of a dash of black blood in a white man's veins; the conflict is a man of his mixed Eastern and Western instincts. An interesting picture is given of life both among Anglo-Indian and among half-castes and of the reception which meets a man of mixed blands. The hero is the son of a white' father and a half caste mother. Entering the Indian Civil Service, he receives by chance the appointment in his native town, and the consequences both for himself and his English wife are worked out in a story which, if sombre, is convincing and full of elever characterisation.

THE MEASUREMENT OF FOREIGN SHIPS.

A deputation representing shipping, dock, pilotage, and other interests in the Bristol Channel ports is shortly to wait upon the British Board of Trade for the purpose of asking that Department to put into operation section 84, sub-sections 1, 2, and 3, of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, so that every foreign vessel on entering English ports may be re-measured and the dues; &c., charged not upon the certificate of register which such vessel may carry, but upon her tonnage in accordance with the British method of measurement. Mr. A. Beasley, the general manager of the Taff Vale Railway. Company, says Commercial Intelligence, has initiated the movement, and he was led to do so because it was found that at Penarth Dock which belongs to that company, certain vessels which were some three or four years since sold to foreign countries had had, upon the change of ownership taking place, their net registered tonnage considerably reduced. Upon this Mr. Beasely communicated with the dock companies at Cardiff, Newport, Swansea, Barry, and Port Talbot, and, on inquiry being made, they discovered similar instances. Mr. Beasley pursued his investigations, and arrived at the conclusion that, even if the Government had, under the provisions of the Act, satisfied themselves that foreign countries had adopted the English method of measurement, those countries certainly did not in practice adhere to that method. A list of formerly British owned vessels trading with Bristol Channel ports has been prepared, and this shows that their net registered tonnage has, after their sale to foreigners, been greatly reduced. Comparing the year 1897 with 1902, Mr. Peasley has also found that the foreign tonnage entering the docks at Cardiff, Newport, Penarth, Barry, and Swansea has increased by no less than 92 per cent. Mr. Beasley holds that the effect of the system in question is that the English shipowners are unfairly handicapped, the dock companies lose considerably in dues, and the earnings of pilots are prej dicially affected. The remedy, he points out, is simple for the Government have power to issue an Order in Council directing that foreign vessels shall be remeasured on the English basis when entering British ports .--

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE. French (Polynesien) to-morrow, American (Hongkong Maru) 31st inst.

English (Bengal) and prox. Canadian (Athenian) 5th prox. German (Klauischou) 5th prox. German (Sachsen) 8th prox. Indian (Laisang) toth prox.

American (China) roth prox.

The N. P. S. Co.'s sis. Olympia arrived at Victoria, B.C., on 24th inst. The A. A. Co.'s s.s. Himera left Foochow this morning, and is due here on tst prox.

The A. A. Co.'s s.s. Arara from New York is due here from Manila on 4th prox., at day-The N. Y. K. B.B. Kinshiu Maru (Bon bay,

'Line) left Kobe via Moji on 28th inst., and is expected to arrive here on 3rd prox.

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TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's.)

Great Britain and France. LONDON, 27th December.

M. Delcasse, speaking in the Senate, said that France and Great Britain being mutually complimentary to each other, conciliation was always possible.

The Situation in the Far East.

M. Delcasse, in the French Senate referring to the Far East, said that there was nothing to justify any reliance on alarmist reports of the possibility of war (between Russia and Japan) resulting in a treat leaving neutrals no trade advantages in Korea and Manchuria.

The United States are pressing Korea to open Wiju, and China to open Antung and Mukden.

In view of the situation in the Orient the United States Asiatic Squadron now Honolulu will start on its return to Cavite on Tuesday.

The Russian Press is showing alarm at the increasing numbers and activity of bands of ceivable. The Court was satisfied that the Hunhuses in Manchuria; the bands, which are well armed, overrun the country and terrorise and pillage the inhabitants. The Russian troops are undergoing great hardships and suffering considerable loss in endeavouring to keep the bands in cheque.

causing considerable concern in Governmental circles in St. Petersburg, where it is viewed as a sign of distrust in Russia.

TIEN ISIN.

(From Our Ozon Correspondent.)

December 19.

The Tartar General of Fengtienhas not died after all. The mistake arose from his wiring to excuse his immediate attendance in Peking as his mother was seriously ill and at the point of whatever. The collision was caused solely This became construed into his own He has made several complaints about his telegrams being delayed, many of his messages being over eight days in reaching With reference, to the steps taken by Captain

kept up with regard to Manchuria. The Wai . Wu Pu keep on sending solemn requests to the Russian Minister to know the intended suggestion, hardly perhaps necessary to notice. date of withdrawal, and the Russian replies are had been made that the Captain acted in a variously evasive. The last reply should, how- harsh or unjustifiable manner towards the ever, suffice to enlighten the most obtuse rescued men in retaining them on board the subject no longer remains a mystery, but said to have replied: "We" withdraw when demanded for our expenses, not before."

tze. There is presumably some spark of fire food for these men pending their examination to account for all the smoke of gossip about by the Port Officer; and the disappearance of this move, and in consequence of Russia's the Kolia's tindal seemed to indicate that no doings in the North it is of course quite possible unlawful restraint was placed upon them. The that the favoured nation clause will operate in rescued men were in an absolutely destitute this way as in others. Why should it not. Anyway the report is more and more generally saved from the wreek. The Kotia was not only circulated, and in Chinese official circles it is cut in two by the collision but was set on fire believed, whether it is true or not,

Great competition is on with regard to the her cargo which particularly rendered it a matmachinery for the mints in Pekirg and ter of congratulation that the whole of the Tientsin, German bids running high. It crew were rescued uninjured. The assessors was stated here this week that Messrs, appointed by the Court entirely concurred with Arahold Karberg had actually secured the contract for some 250,000 gold, and Tls. 200,000 to bring to the notice of the Government was sent down from Peking as an instalment the alleged practice of numbers of native craft of this. But as a matter of fact I believe to disregard the rules as to carrying lights at the contract is not yet signed and some night and to suggest that stringent means be British bids have been sent in at a very much taken to enforce the observance of the regulalower figure it is said, and the contract may be tions, otherwise given yet.

An English firm bas just received an order for some wine making machinery, some Chinese and Japanese being privately bent on trying what can be done with the great grape producing districts of Shansi. There is no reason why if a proper system is adopted some wine should not be produceable. The Chinese like a sweet one, which would of course be the class manufactured, and it would at least possess the virtue of being pure.

The fannery being erected here is now almost ready for work, and a quantity of machinery was being landed to-day, -

There is much war gossip here and expectation has again become lively of war. The Chinese do not seem to think things are favourable, and all the Southern officials in Peking are busy sending their famil'es away.

The river has closed now, and all communication is via Chinwangtao.

RECORD CARGO OF FLOUR.

The P. M. S. S. Co's, steamer Algoa, which arrived from the United States and Japan this cargo of flour ever floated out of Portland, breaking all previous records by nearly 20,000 barrels, the nearest approach to it being the cargo of the Tremont which cleared from Tacoma just over a year ago with 67,000 barrels. The Algou carried to China and Japan 85,270 barrels of flour. addition to this she had 17,862 bushels of wheat, or a total in wheat and flour reduced to wheat measure of 391,614 bushels. The largest cargo of flour ever shipped from an Atlantic port was carried by the steamship Sylvania from Newport News, Va., consisting of ,55,900 barrels and which created considerable commont at the time.

IN COLLISON:

At Bombay, on 4th inst, the Marine Court, consisting of Mr. J. Sanders Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, president, and Captain F. E. Hardenstle, Marine Surveyor, and Mr. C. Scott, Master, B. I. S. N Company's s.s. Nudder, members, gave their decision of the inquiry into the cicumstances which led to a collision between the P. & O. Company's s.s. Coromandel and the native craft Fatch Salamati belonging to Diu (Portuguese territory)" loaded with kerosine oil off the Vinguria coast on the 8th

Captain Robins n and Captain Rees were appointed assessors, Mr. Bowen, Public Prosecutor, appeared for the Crown, and Mr. Lynch, of Messrs. Craigie, Lynch, and Owen, solicitors, appeared for the P. & O. Company, and Mr. Cordale, of Messrs. Crawford, Brown and Company, solicitors, appeared for the tindal of the Fateh Salam iti.

In the course of the decision the President said the Court was of opinion that absolutely no dependence could be placed upon the story of the rew of the Artig as to the lights they alleged to have shown and the absence of side lights on the Chomandel or the distance at which they first saw the steamer approaching. From their own story it was perfectly evident that they were running from Bombay down the coast in the most happy-go-lucky way con-Kotia did not carry any lights in position, was not sighted and could not have been sighted by the exercise of the utmost vigilance until she showed a light. The lookout man on the Coromandel, Weston, was mistaken when be stated that he saw the Kotia four minutes before the accident and her light one minute The reorganisation of the Chinese army is and a half before the accident and that when she did show her light she had placed herself in such a position as to make it impossible for those on the ss. Coromandel to avoid the collision. There was a vigilant lookout kept on the Coromandel and there was no lookout on the Ketia. The moment the Kotin's light was sighted the Third Officer, Mr. Gooset, grasped the situation and acted with commendable promptness, in the way best suited to afford a probability of averting or minimising the effects of a collision. his action however was neutralized by the helmsman of the Ketis in starboarding across the bows of the Coromandel-a managuvre for which there was no justification or excuse and entirely by the neglect and default of the Kotia's crew, and the Coremandel was in no way to blame for the collision or its effects. Montford, of the s.s. Coromandel, to save life In Peking the same old farce is still being and property after the collision, it should be stated that the work of rescue was smartly as well as successfully carried out. Some slight Chinese minds. M. Lessar is the ship after they reached Bombay. The evidence not only did not support any such you pay the 60 million taels indemnity suggestion but showed that the shipwrecked men were treated with the utmost considera-As a variation to this staple topic then is lion both on the voyage and after it had been British procedure in Thibet and the reported completed. The detention complained of appointment of a British Viceroy for the Yang- | seemed to have been a provision of shelter and

YUNNAN.

Chaotungfu, 17th November. A SAD MISTAKE.

Yesterday we received the sad news that Mr. John Smith of the C.I.M. had died at Kühtsingfu. He was one of the oldest missionaries in the province, having laboured for many years at Talifu. After a lengthened furlough is England, he was returning to his work and had-reached Kühtsingfu when he was unable to proceed. For fourteen weeks he battled with fever and then passed away . He leaves three children at the Chefoo School. It seems so sad to see such a man cut off at 48. One cannot help feeling what a mi take it was to travel all up through Hunan, Kweichow, and part of Yunnan in the heat of summer.

VIVE LA REPUBLIQUE!

Yet another C.I.M. missionary has been very ill at Yunnanfu. The latest news of Mr. John Graham is that his case was considered very serious. There is one bright side to his illness, and that is the the French Government Service. The Doctor could not have worked harder to save a man's morning, brought to the Orient the largest life, even if he had been a fellow-countryman. This is but one in a long series of kind actions shown hy Frenchmen to Englishmen in Yunnanfu, Such incidents as these make one's heart warm, and one instinctively cries,

'Vive la République." I heard A BIT OF NEWS

the other day which I give with all reserve. A Mahomedan in this city, who hails from near Talifu, told me that Admiral Ting, who is supposed to have committed suicide at the taking of Weihaiwei, is still alive, and is now in Kwangsi fighting under Viceroy Ts'en. This, Mahomedan is a man of position and had no motive, as far as I know, to cause him to lie. He assured me that he had seen the Admiral

THE P. AND O. "COROMANDEL" and that his suicide was seigned to escape punishment.

THE OPIUM DEN opened on R. C. premises in this city has been summarily closed by the priest in charge. The priest has been away on business in Yunnaniu, and in his absence things went wrong. On his return a welcome change immediately took place, and the natives can no longer throw it in our faces that we foreigners countenance the opening of an illegal den on mission premises.

A QUICK POSTAL ROUTE has been opened via Bhamo. Letters reach Yunnansu from London in less than six

THERE IS A RUMOUR that the British railway from Burma is to be built after all. A

FINE MULE CART ROAD from Bhamo to Momein is in course of construction and trade is flourishing at the

BOMBAY OPIUM REVENUE.

latter place.-N. C. D. News Correspondent.

The Government of Bombay have recorded the following resolution on the report on the Administration of the Opium Department of the Bombay Presidency, for the eight months ending 31st March last,

With the return of more prosperous seasons the opium trade of the eight months under report shows a considerable impr vement on that of the corresponding period last year, Both imports and exports show an advance. The sales of opium in the Presidency proper have increased by 4,000 lbs., and the rate of consumption per head of population has risen from '12 to '13 of a tola. The China trade' shows some improvement in spite of the monetary causes which tend to depress it The result of this revival of trade is a net gain of Rs. 14 1-4 lakhs to Imperial revenues, as compared with the figures for the same period last year. In Sind the condition of the Opium trade and revenue was stationary. The abnormal conditions of the last few years have had so disturbing an effect on the figures of sales that it is not possible to trace the continued effect of the separate shop system which was noted on in paragraph 17 of last year's report; and it is doubtless for this reason that the Commissioner of Customs, Salt; Opium and Abkari makes no allusion to

it. The results of the system should be closely watched, with a view to its extension to other districts, if necessary, and reference should be made to them in future reports.

THE OVERLAND ROUTE TO - CHINA.

AN UNCOMFORTABLE TRIP.

Writing to the Munchester Guardian, on 22nd October, Mr. J. R. Hargreaves, of Kalee, Shanghai, says: -So much has already been I have just made the trip, and as my experience differs entirely from the accounts I have read in newspapers and magazines, possibly you will consider it worthy of space in your esteemed

The International Sleeping Car Company's "train de luxe," by which I travelled from Moscow to Sima (owing to an accident on the line we had to change to a Russian train at Sima), consisted of one first and two second class sleeping cars; one car containing the dining-room, smokeroom, and kitchen; one condition, only one bag of effects having been car partitioned off into three parts, in-which were the dynamo, the bathroom and storeroom, and a luggage van. Owing to gross in consequence of the inflammable character of negligence, the axles of the car containing the dynamo and bath became overheated before we had been away from Moscow twelve hours, and the car had to be detached. The conductor wired repeatedly to Moscow asking that they the Court in its finding. The Court desired should be replaced, but his telegrams were ignored, and we had in consequence to grope our way through Siberia by candle-light and to remain unwashed until we arrived at Baikal. There was no such thing as a drawing-room or lounge, as I was led to expect; there was only the above-mentioned car, containing the diningroom and smokeroom-the former to seat 24 and the latter 12. Thus there was only accommodation for 36 people and as we carried 65 passengers half of them had either to loaf about the draughty corridors or to remain in their cabins.

The sleeping compartments were comfortable enough, the first class being two-berthed and the second class four-berthed, but the laner were very small, and there was scarcely room to turn when the beds were adjusted. Another very great drawback was that there were only two lavatories on each second-class carriage, which had to be shared between 26 people.

The food on the train was indifferent, and, considering the quality, dear. The attendance was atrocious, there being only two none-toosmart waiters for sixty-five people, and, to crown all, there was not a single servant on the train who could understand English. I took the Russian Government train from Mis- cautious policy of investors has drawn in the sionaie to Dalni, and found the same a decided reins of latent resources, only awaiting to be train in every respect.

My experience has no doubt been an exunremitting kindness, shown by Dr. Delay of ceptionally bad one, but in any case I would not recommend anyone to undertake the trip in the present state of things, as, apart from the disadvantages I have pointed out, it seems to me that the line is dangerous in some parts, and three-fourths of the country traversed is uninteresting. If anyone wants an experience and is prepared to rough it, well and good, but

otherwise my advice is "Stick to the sea." For the benefit of any of your readers intending to take this trip I give the following information ;-

1. The journey from Moscow to Daini takes also flooded with coals which are still unsold, fourteen days, and to Shanghai seventeen days. 2. The Trans-Siberian express leaves Moscow | a large quantity, owing to their ridiculous deevery Wednesday and Saturday at 10.40 p.m. 3. Only 40lb. of luggage, is allowed for each very small. The s.s. Victoria arrived on the cover cost of food and incidental expenses. sold

RAILWAY. CONCESSIONS ... _IN_CHINA.

The report that a fresh railway concession of great importance in the populous Yellow River region of China has been granted to Belgians once more calls attention to the extraordinary. position occupied by Belgium in regard to the numerous railway and mining concessions of recent years in China. Possibly the number and extent of these concessions in China properor the eighteen provinces, including Manchuria, Mongolia, and Turkestan-made to Belgians or in Belgian names are greater than those made to all other Powers put together. The fact is Belgium'is a small Power of which the Chinese Government and the provincial authorities have no fear, and therefore_it is comparatively easy for Belgians to claim concessions which would demand, great pressure from any of the large Powers. Next, Belgian financiers and engineers began as early as 1896 to study matters connected with the development of railways and mines in China, and formed an association for the purpose of sending out surveyors, prospectors, and the like to China to report on suitable places for concessions. But, more important than these, Belgium has been put forward by other Powers, has been supported by their diplomacy, and has shared with them the benefits of the various concessions.

A striking instance of this is the very first of the great railway concessions-that from Peki to Hankow and the Yangtse, a distance of nearly 800 miles. The concession was granted to Belgians in 1898, with French diplomatic support; while France took up a third of the capital on condition that "an important share" of the orders for material should be placed in France. Since 1898 the Belgin concessionaires have been backed up on every occasion when help was needed in Pekin by France, and so open and considerable were French interests in and French domination over the concession that in 1901 M. Caillaux, the French Minister of Finance, stated publicly in the Chamber of Deputies that, the Pekin-Hankow railway "being essentially a French affir, I have asked the company to employ a larger number of our compatriots, and to dismiss foreigners, Belgians, Italians, Greeks, &c., to make way for them." French influence in North China has for some years past been Russian to all intents and purposes, and so the business of the railway is in the hands of the Russo-Chinese Bank, while two other Belgian concessions are actually financed by this institution. Hence these Belgian concessions are in their essence French and Russian. Belgium can secure these more easily than any other Power, for, as Chang-Chih-Tung said, when advising the Tls. 52. Shanghai Waterworks are offering Emperor to grant the Pekin-Hankow concession, "Belgium has no ironclads." Hence she is acting as the cat's paw for her larger neighbours. It has always been convenient for the big dogs to have a little dog to draw the badger, and Belgium has for nearly ten years been the little dog in China.-Manchester Guardian.

IMPORTATION OF SUGAR INTO BRITISH INDIA.

REMISSION OF DUTIES. A Gazette of India Extraordinary issued in Calcutta on 2nd inst., notifies that the Governor-General-in-Council directs that duties leviable under the Indian Tariff Act shall be remitted in respect of sugar produced in any country which is a party of the Brussel's Sugar Convention of 1902, provided that that sugar is imported into British India direct from the country of production or through another country which is also a party to the Convention, without having been transhipped at, or unloaded in, or carried through any country which is not a party to the Convention, and is in either case accompanied by a certificate certifying that it was produced after the 31st August, 1903, and that it has not received and is not entitled to receive any bounty direct or indirect on the production, or as the result of exportation, certificates of the production shall be signed by an authority especially appointed in this behalf by the Government of the country of production, and such certificates shall be countersigned by the British Consular representative at the port of shipment or at the place from which sugar is despatched.

COMMERCIAL

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

Rarely in the history of the local share market has so small a yearly settlement to be recorded as that of the closing year. An entire absence of speculative demand, due to a number of causes, among others the uncertainty of Exchange and later the probabilities of war, led to all transactions, meagre as they have been, into pure investments. The condition revealed in the last days of a closing year is undoubtedly one of financial soundness in Hongkong. The improvement on the International Sleeping Car let loose once a revival of activity sets in in

COAL.

In their report, dated Shanghai, the 24th irst Messrs. Wheelock and Co. state:-

JAPAN :-- Our coal market at present is very much over-stocked and cheap lots are obtainable at a very low figure but all are of the common kind; few sales have taken place. The anticipated trouble between Russia and Japan does not seem to have any effect on our market. CARDIFF-Is in no demand.

"SYDNEY WOLLONGONG:-This market is and likely to remain so, as the natives still hold mand for high prices the deliveries have been passenger. 4. Ten shillings per day will amply | 20th inst, with about 700 to- which has been

SHANGHAI SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. J. P. Bisset & Co. write in their share report, dated Shanghai, the 23rd instant, as follows:-

Owing to Xmas holidays we are obliged to bring out our circular to-day. During the last five days a considerable business has been done particularly in Indo-Chinan, the shorts! covering for the December settlement.

SHIPPING .- H. C. & M. Steamboats are offering in the South at \$32.25. Indo-Chinas,-The market opened on the 18th with sales Tis. 55 and 542 December, 54 March, 53/54 April. On the 21st December shares were placed at Tls. 55. 22nd at Tls. 55 and 54 for December and 54 and 531 March. To-day heavy sales have been effected for December settlement at attend. 54.1/4. The market closes weak. Shell Truns. port & Trading Co.-We hear by wire that the Company have declared an interim dividend of 1/- per share. Shanghai Tug Boats have been placed at Tls. 50.

DOCKS & WHARVES .- Farnham, Boyds .-On the 18th the market opened with sales for THEATRE December, at Tls. 127, 128 March and 129 April. 19th at 127 and 127 December and 128 March. On the 21st, at 1261, 126 and 125 HILL'S WORLD'S December, and 1274 March. 22nd at 120, 118] for cash. The market closes to-day weak at 117, due to a pressure of shares in the market for the end of the month. Hongkong & Whampon Docks quoted nominal at \$204. Shanghai & Hongkew Wharves .- A consider able business has been done in this stock, the market opening on the 18th with sales at 'lls. 220, 2274, 225 and 2224 March. 19th 2174 March was done, 21st 215 December. The market closes quiet, but with buyers for March. Kowloon Wharves are wanted in the South at

INDUSTRIAL,-No business reported in Cottons. Sellers of Ewos at Tis. 35 and Low Kung Mows at Tls. 40. Paper and Pulps .- We have to note a rise in this stock. The market opened on the 18th with business done at Tls. 108] and 110 rising later to 112% with business yesterday at 115 cash and December and 120 March. Green Island Cements are wanted in the South at \$242. Maatschappij, &c. in Langkais.-On the 18th the market opened with sales at Tls., 315 cash, 3173, 316,1/4, and 315 December 325 February 3324, 330 March 332 3, 335 April. On the 19th cash and Dec. shares were placed at 315 and at 330 March. On the 21st cash shares were placed at 316 and 315, and 330 March. 22nd at 312h cash and 312/310 December, 330/327 March, 332 April and 335 May. The market closes quiet, and cash shares could possibly be obtained at Tis. 3072. Sumatras have been placed at

at quotations. TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE. ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer1/8 Bank Bills, on demand ... 1/8 11/16 Credits, 4 months' sight ...1/9 1/16 D'ments 4 months' sight ... 1/9 3/16 On Paris, Bank Bills, on demand.......2.16] Credits, 4 months' sight 2.20 ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand ...41% Credits, 30 days' sight427 On BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer...... 1273 On demand......127 ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer714 Private 30 days' sightnom. On YOKOHAMA, T.T.841 Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate \$11.61 Gold Leaf too touch, per tael60.40 Rar Silver.....25 15/16 OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows :---Per chest MALWA NEW @ 920/950 LAST YEAR @ 970/1,040 BENARES NEW @ 1,255

Co-day's Adbertisements.

NOTICE

THE Date of CLOSING of ENTRIES for the FORTHCOMING RACES has been POSTPONED from the 9th JANUARY to SATURDAY, 16th. By Order,

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 29th December, 1903. . [1562e

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NOTICE

THE DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA will hold its TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING at the MASONIC HALL, TO-NIGHT, the 29th instant, at 9 P.M. All Master Masons are cordially invited to

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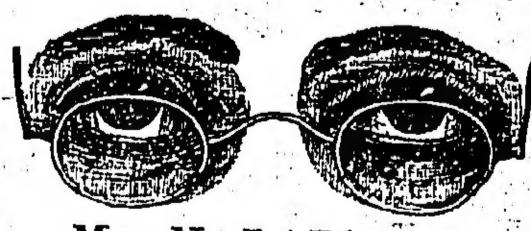
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THE Steamship "SULLBERG," Captain Meyer, will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 1st January,

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Hongkong, 24th December, 1903. FOR YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND

TSINGT U. THE H.A.L. Steamship

"BADENIA," Captain Rörden, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 2nd January,

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THE Company's Steamship

"DENBIGHSHIRE." Captain W. A. Evans, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about FRIDAY, the 15th January, 1904, to be followed by the Steamship RADNORSHIRE," Captain C. H. Burch, on or about SATUR-

DAY, the 30th January, 1904. These Steamers have Superior Accommodation for Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHRWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1903. [15370

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE. THE Steamship

"ALESIA." Captain Schönfeldt, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 5th January, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office. Hongkong, 28th December, 1903. [15530

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS. FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP. THE Steamship

"GLENFARG," Captain Holman, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 9th January, 1904. For Freight or Passage, apply to McGREGOR BROS. & GOW,

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Shipping—Steamers.

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THE Steamship

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THE Company's Steamship ... "HAICHING,"

Captain Passmore, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 30th instant, at II A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1903. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY. LIMITED. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship "NAMSANG,"

Captain Geo. Payne, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 30th instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 29th December, 1903.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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"YUENSANG." Captain P. H. Rolfe, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 31st instant, at 4 P.M. This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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General Agents. Hongkong, 28th December, 1903.

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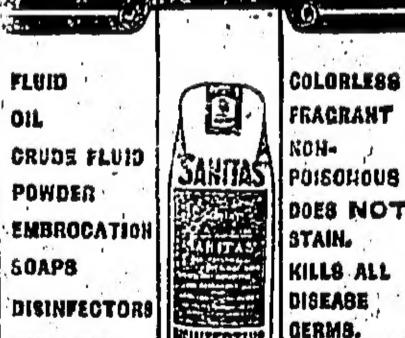
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THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg. acting Director of the Hongkong Obser-On the 29th at 11.30a. The barometer has fallen much at Wladiwostock, risen quickly

The depression lying over Manchuria yester-

day has moved Eastwards into the N. part of the Sea of Japan. A high pressure area lies over Central China. Strong monsoon in the Formosa Channel and China Sea Porecast :-moderate to fresh N. winds : fine

over N. China.

Dec. al at Dec. al at 70 A.TL. 30.09 64 Barameter 30.23 Temperature 64 Humidity 55 Rainfall

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER. December 29th, 1903, a.m.

Bar. Th. Hu. Wind Wr. Vladivostock. 7 a.m. 29.71 19 55 NW 1 - C Hakodate ... Tokio Kochi Nagasaki Kagoshima... Oshima Naha Ishigakijima,. Taihoku5 Tainan Koshun - NE Pescadores .. Weihniwei ... 9 a.m. 30.33 33 Gutzlaff 30.36 40 91 NW 4 bv Sharp Peak... 30.29 53 83 W I Amoy 6.30 a 30.22 63 78 NNE I Swatow 9 a.m. 30.21 60 - NW Hongkong ... 10 a.m. 30.24 63 37 Victoria Peak Gap Rock ... N 30.24 60 - N Macao C. St. James. 10 a.m. 29.91 85 - N 2 C

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

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Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa D ... Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk , Roast-Shiu Breast-Ngau Lam , Soup, Tong Yuk " Steak-Ngau Yuk Pa " " Serjoin-Ngau Lau..... " Sausages,-Ngau Yuk Chaung ... " Bullock's Brains- " Know..... per set

.. Tongue fresh-Ngau Li..... each , corned-Ham Ngau Li..... , Head-Ngau Tau , Heart-Ngau Sum " Hump, Salt-Ngau Kin...... " Fcet-Ngau Kerk..... each "Kidneys-Ngau Yiu.....

Tail-Ngau Mei ,, Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To..... ,, Calves' Head and Feet-Ngau-chaitau-keok....set

Leg-Young Pei Shoulder-Young Shau Pigs' Chitlings-Chi cheong Brains-Chi Knowper set Feet-Chi Kerk Fry-Chi Chak " Head-Chi Tau Heart-Chi Sumeach

Kidneys—Chi Yiupair Pork, Chop—Chi Pai Kwat Corned-Ham Chu Yuk Leg-Chu Pei Fat or Lard-Chu Yau Sheeps' Head and Feet-Yeung Tau Keokset

'Heart—Young Sumeach Kidneys-Yeung Yiu Sucking Pigs, To Order-Chu Chai Mutton-Sang Yeung Yau Veal-Ngau Chai Yuk.....

" Sausages-Ngau Chai Yuk Tong. "

POULTRY. Capons, Large, Small-Sin Kai......... Ducks-Ap Doves-Pan Kaueach Eggs, Hen-Kai Tan.....per doz. Hainan-Hoi Nam Kai

Geese-Ngoi Geese, Wild Shanghai-Sheung Hoi Ye Ngo pair \$1.40 Pask Deer-Wong Keng each Hare-Tu Chai Partridge-Che Khoo Pheasant-Shan Kaipair Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup each Hoihow—Hoihow Pak Kup ... Oual-Um-Chun

Rice Birds-Wo Fa Choukdozen Snipe-Sa Chui each Turkeys, Cock-Fo Kai Kung Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sui-appair Teal, Shanghai, Sui Ap Chai......each Wild Ducks Canton-Sang Shing Sui

Apea.....per pair FISH.

Barbel-Ka Yu Bream-Bin Yu..... Canton Fresh Water Fish-Hoi Sin Yu, Carp-Li Yu Catfish-Chik Yu Crabs-Hai Cuttle Fish-Muk Yu Dace-Wong Mei Lun

Fresh water-Tam Sui Yu Frogs-Tien Kai Garoupa-Sek Pan Gudgeon-Pak Kup Yu Herrings-Tso Pak Halibut-Cheung Kwan Yu Labrus-Wong Fa Yu...... Loach-Wu Yu. Lobsters-Lung Ha Mackerel-Chi Yu Monk Fish-Mon Yu Mullet-Chai Yu Oysters-Sang Hoo Parrotfish-Kai Kung Yu

Plaice-Pan Yu... Pomfret, Black-Hak Chong Pomfret, White-Pak Chong...... Prawns-Ming Ha..... Ray-Pel Pa Sa Rock Fish-Sek Kau Kung...... Roach-Chun Yu Salmon, (C'ton), fresh water-Ma Yau Yu. y Shark-Sa Yu

Shrimps-Ha Snapper-Lap Yu....... Soles-Tat Sa Yu. Teuch-Wan Yu Turbot -- Cho How Yu Turtles, small, fresh water-Keck Yu... White Balt-Ngan Yu Cha mining

(Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Ko..... Bananas, fragrant, Canton-Sang Shong Heung Chiu " (brides), Macao-San Heung Chiu " Chestnuts, Chinese-Foong Lut..... Cocoanuts-Yeh Tszeach Fresh, Lai Chi (Saigon)-Sai Kung Ning Moongeach Mango, Manila-Lui Sung Mong..... Mango, Saigon-Sai'Kung Moong Mangosteens, San Chuk Tsz doz. Oranges, (Canton)-Sang Sheng Tim Chang

Small-Tai Kut Mandarin-Tim Kut Pears, (American)—Kam San Shut Li... (Canten), Cooking-Sa Li (Shanghai)-Sheung Hoi Li Peanuts,-Fa Sang Persimmons Large,—Hung Chie Pine-apples, 1st quality-Shoung Poon Ti Paw-laweach

and cocking -Chung-tang Paw-law Platams-Tai Chen Plums, Swatow-Hung Lai Pumelo, Siam-Chim Lo Yau Walnuts, Hop Tou Green-Sang Hop Tuo VEGETABLES, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai, -Sheung Hoi Ah

Beaus, (French) Macao-Oh Moon Pin Tau Beans, (French), Shanghai-Sheung Hoi Pin Tau Beans, Sprout-Ah Choi..... Beans Long—Tau Kok Beat Root-Hung Choi Tau...... each Brinjals, Green-Cheng Yuen Ker Brinjals, Red-Hung Ker Brassica—Pak Choi..... Bamboo Shoots-Chook Shun

Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy..... Cabbage Root-Kai Lan Taueach Cabbage, (Shanghai)-Yeh Choi Cane Shoots, bunch-Kau Shun Cauliflower, Large size—Tal Yeb Choi Faeach Cauliflower, Medium size-Cheung Yeh Ghol-faeach Cauliflower, Small size-Sai Yeb Choi-fa Carrots-Kam Shun

Celery, Chinese-Tong Kan Choy Celery, English-Yeung Kan Choi Celery, White-Pak Yeung Kan Choi... Chilles Dried-Con Lat Chiu Curry Stuff, English-Ka Lee Choi Liu Cucumbers-Cheng Kwa Bitter Squash-Fu Kwa

Garlic-Suen Tau..... Ginger, young-Sun Tsz Keung old-Lo Keung Horse Radish, Shanghai-Lik Kan Indian Corn-Suk Maipiece. Lettuce-Yeung Sang Choieach Water Chesnuts-Ma Tai Mandarin-Kwei Lum Ma Tai ,,

Mushrooms Fresh-Sang Cho Kho Onions, Bombay-Yeung Chung Tau ... Green-Sang Chung..... Shai-Sheung Hoi Chung Tau Japan-Yat Poon Okroes-Mo Ker

Parsley, English-Yeung Un Sai Green Peas-Cheng Tau..... Priatoes, Sweet-Fan Shu Shanghai-Sheung Hoi Shu Tsai Japan—Yat Poon Shu Tsai ...

Pumpkin-Toong Kwa Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tsai......dozen Shalots-Con Chung Tau Spinage (Chinese)—Paw Choi Spinach-Yin Choi Tomatoes—Fan Ker..... Taros-Wu Tau Turnips, Pun-ti (Long)-Low Pak

English-Young Low Pak.piece Vegetable Marrow-Chit Kwa Waters Cresses-Sai Yeung Choi..... Lily Roots-Lin Ngau Yams-Tai Shu.....

A Mail will close for :-Canton-Per Honam, 30th Dec., 7.30 A.M. Swatow, Amoy and Foochow-Per Haiching,

Maru, 30th Dec . 11 A.M. Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, 10 Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne-Per Chingin, 30th

> Saigon-Per Bourbon, 30th Dec., 4 P.M. Canton-Per Kinshan, 30th Dec., 5 P.M. Canton-Per Fatshan, 31st Dec., 7.30 A.M. Haiphong-Per Johanne, 31st Dec., 9 A.M. Kobe-Per Canton, 31st Dec., II A.M. Manila-Per Yuensang, 31st Dec, 3 P.M. Canton-Per Powan, 31st Dec. 5 P.M. Canton-Per Honam, 1st Jan., 7.30 A.M. Macao-Per Heungshan, 1st Jan., 9 A.M.

Shanghai-Per Kansw, 1st Jan., 9 A.M. Can op Per Falshan, 2nd Jan., 7.30 A.M. Macao -- Per Heungshan, and Jan., 9 A.M. Canton-Per Powan, and Jan., 9 A.M. Manila-Per Zafiro, and Jan., 9 A.M. Yokohama, Kobe and Taintau-Per Badenia,

Kobe-Per Talyuan, 4th Jan., 3 P.M. Yokohama and Kobe-Per Alesta, 5th Jan. Kobe, Nagasaki and Vladivontock-Per Sullberg, 5th Jan., 11 A.M.

Kobe-Per Talyuan, Bth Jan., 3 P.M. Manila-Per Rubi, 9th Jan., 9 A.M. Shanghui, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohamo, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Athenian,

American—Fa Ki "
Foochow—Fuk Chau Shu Tsai Macao-Oh Moon E. D. ROGERS, inspector in charge of Markets.

Post Office.

30th Dec., 10 A.M. Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (B.C.) and Tacoma-Per Victoria, 30th Dec, 11 A.M. Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama-Per Kasuga Straits and Calcutta-Per Namsang, 30th

-Manila-Per Kaifong, 30th Dec., 3 P.M. Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne-Per Yawata Maru, 30th Dec., 3 P.M.

Canton-Per Kinshan, Tit Jan., 9 A.M. Shanghai, Chemulpo, Dalny and Port Arthur -Per Sullberg, 1st Jan., 9 A.M.

28 | 2nd lan., 9 A.M. Hoilo-Per Wuchang, and Jan., 9 A.M. Europe, ac., India, via Tuncorin-Per Simia, 2nd Jan., 10 A.M.

leuropa, &c. ... Indiap. via c. Tuticoria-Per Kinutschou, 6th Jan., 11 A.M.

37th Jan, 11 A.M.

TO-DAY'S

Sylphing.

Whampoa, Br. s.s., 1,109, Lavers, 28th Dec.,-Shanghai 24th Dec., Gen.-B. & S. Queen Mary, Br. s.s., 2,261, Simpson, 28th Dec.,-Philadelphia 15th Oct, Case Oil.-

Wuchang, Br. s.s., 801, Sommerville, 28th Dec., A. V. Apcar, and 62 Chinese. -Iloilo 24th Dec, Sugar.-B. & S. Koun Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,78), Minamikawa, 18th Pec.,-Kobe 4th Dec., Coal and Gen.-Tan Yok Chon.

Daiya Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,733, Yokoyama, 28th Dec., Moji 23rd Dec., Coal.-H. U.

Canton, Br. s.s., 1,110, Muir, 28th Dec.,-—J., M. & Co. Progress, Ger. s.s., 687, Bremer, 28th Dec.,-

Quinhon 25th Dec., Gen. -S. & Co. Babelsberg, Ger. s.s., 1,300, Ahrens, 28th Dec, -Singapore 17th Dec., and Holhow 27th, Gen,-E. A. T. Co.

Waishing, Br. s.s., 1,170, Courtney, 28th Dec., -Wuhu 24th Dec., Gen.-J, M. & Co. Kwangtah, Ch. s.s., 1,536, Lunt, 28th Dec.,-Shanghai 25th Dec, Gen.-C. M. S. N. Co. Kowloon, Ger. s.s., 1,487, Stehr, 28th Dec.,-Chinkiang and Wuhu 24th Dec., Gen.-

Carl Diederichsen, Cer. s.s., 774. Schlaikier, 28th Dec.,-Haiphong 24th Dec., Gen.-

Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,611, Rodger, 28th Dec,-

Manila 26th Dec., Ballast .- S., T. & Co. Johanne, Ger. s.s., 952, Ipland, 28th Dec.,-Pakhoi 26th Dec., Rice. - J. & Co. Hupeh, Br. s.s., 1,205, Mathias, 28th Dec ..-Shanghai 23rd Dec., and Swatow 27th, Gen .- B. & S.

Algon, Br. s.s., 2,897, Lockett, 28th Dec,-United States and Japan 17th Nov., Gen. -P. M. S. S. Co. Hansa, Ger. s.s., 1,201, Weidlich, 29th Dec. -Port Louis and Mauritius 6th Dec., Sugar. -Nam Wing & Co. Kansu, Br. s.s., 1,246, Baddeley, -29th Dec.,-

Canton 28th Dec., Gen.-B. & S. Clearances at the Harbour Office,

San Cheong, for Canton. Pak Kong, for Macao. Hiroshima Maru, for Singapore. Chan On, for Wuchow. Waishing, for Canton. Rosetta Maru, for Manila. Kaça Maru, for Shanghai. Progress, for Swatow. Kwiengchew, for Canton. Tengsung, for Stanghai. Amping, for Shanghai. Holstein, for Harphong. Kow'von, for Canton. Unding, for Kobe, Holching, for Kwong-chow-wan, Hoi He, for Canton. Tjilatjap, for Singapore.

Wingchai, for Macao.

Huron, for Kutchinotzu.

Departures, Dec. 29.

Salazie, for Europe. Rosetta Maru, for Manila, Mathilde, for Swatow. Hilloong for Swato . . Wosang, for Shanhgai. Tsintan, for Haihow. Borneo, for Kudat. Daijin Maru, for Swataw. Titlutjap, for Singapore. Benledi, for Nagasaki. Taksnig, for Canton. Tyr, for Canton. Kaga Maru, for Seattle: Szechuen, for Shanghai. Hiroshima Maru, for Singapore. Yoneyama Maru, for Kobe. Hoihae, for Haiphong. Masagon, for Shanghai. Hikosan Maru, for Moji. Kweilin, for Shanghai. Pyrrhus, for Shanghai. Whampoa, for Canton, Hupeh: for Canton. Waishing, for Canton.

Kowloon, for Canton.

Kwangluh, for Canton.

Passengers arrived. Per Hibelsberg, from Singapore, &c -- 1,0 Chinese. Per Canton, from Chefoo-Messrs. Bond;

Hilson and Adair. Per Whampou, from Shanghai-Mr. W. A. Ball, and 9 Chinese,

Per Yawata Maru, from Japan for Hongkong-Lieut.-Comdr. and Mrs. Harlow, Master Harlow, Messrs. Edward Stephens, C. Stephens and R. Mauley. For Sydney-Mr. and Mrs. Wood and child, and Misses Wood (2) and nurse. For Melbourne-Mr. E. F. Setzke. Per Kasuga M eru, from Australian Ports for

Hongkong-Capt C. H. Browning, Mr. J. H. Curle, Miss Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Pope, mere, Agamemnon, Abyssinia, Yarra. 4th Mr. Ed Lyons, Sister Pownall, Messrs. Webb, December-Idomeneus. 8th December-Roon, Loney Pie and Fernand Deffoser. For Yoko. Watasa Maru, Dharwar, Pak'ing. 12th Dechami-Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wholley and infast, ember-Brisgavia, Sambia. 16th December Miss Schacker, Mr. A. Reazley, Mr. and Mrs. - Australian. 18th December-Glanturrel. Clough, Messrs. K. Kuramochi and M. Arias 21st December-Java. 22nd December-Rodreynes. Through-Miss U. Yamıguchi, Indradeo, Preussen, Kanagawa Maru. M. Takato, Udono, and Miss K. Watanabe.

Per Salasie, for Hongkong from Shanghai-Mrs. v. E. Moses, Mr. and Mrs. Schlumberger, Misses Holen Holt and Leathwoose, Messis, T. Zeisler, Campbell, S. Stevens, L. Verdier, B. from Yokohama-Mr. and Mrs. Larne. From Shanghai-Mrs. Smileyitz. For Colombo from Shanghai - Messrs, Painter and Confectioner, For Marseilles from Yokohama-Consul Gomez Messrs. Laborde, Frossard, Durin Leon, Mani, Calvare, Kerdraon, Serill and Hacquie. Per Hansa, from Mauritius-200 Chines,

Per Tydeus, from Singapore-568 Chinese. Per Kruangiah, from Shanghai-Messrs. Ellies, Robinson, and 76 Chinese. Per Zafiro, from Manila-Messrs, Guy

Passengers departed.

Per Bayern, for Shanghai-Capts. Zawatzky, Crocker, Messrs. P. Chan, T. Vaughan, P. Purbyfield, R. V. Gibson Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. G. Alfonse, Mrs. R. Brownstein, and Mr. and Mrs. Nagano. For Nagasaki-Mr, V. Harkowitz, and 4 Japanese. For Kobe-Mr. Chefon and Wei-hai-wei 23rd Dec., Gen. C. Mohiden. For Yokohama-Messrs. While, Phirps and G. B. Sansom.

Per Rosetta Maru, for Manila-Messis, Yam Loc, Fred Ray, Mrs. C. H. Harlow, Mr. Hamilton Harlow, Mrs. Emithana Hortera, Mr. V. de Rtabouchtusky, Mr and Mrs. S. Makvarma, Messrs. Sy Chang Co, Kieng Ham Co, Tieng Un, Coo Pao, Ny Ching, Ley Cuan Jui, Shotaro Hurata, Yan Siong Sam, Chua Kian, Do Liong, Chan Yui Cho, Ang Chu Queng, Ang Ben Hian, Ty Guis Co; Fung Chung, Hao Cay, Masutaro Narita, S Yamasaki, Mumeliro Masuda, Ben Shea, Et.-Com Harlow, U.S.A.; Mr. Angel Cawo, Miss-Francisca Mortera, Messis. Fredrick Thomas, Quang Cue, Gi Koa, Co V. Co, C. G. Edwards, Go Sang, W. O. Bingham, Tydeus, Br. s.s., 4,799, Jackson, 28th DecaUnited Kingdom via Siegapore 14th Nov., Sec Teng, Tang Chan, See Uhung, So Sung
Yu, Ang Bao Co, Yu San, Tu Chan, Pao Chiong, Ikichi Hamaura and Kanetaro

> Shipping Reports. Str. Bubelsberg from Singapore:-Very strong

W. monsoon. Str. Whampon from Shanghai: -- Moderate

winds, and fine weather. Str. Wuchang from Hoile:-Fresh N.E. monsoon, and heavy sea.

Str. Queen Mary from Philadelphia: Strong N.E. winds, and high rough sen. _

Str. Zafiro from Manila:-Fresh monsoon, moderate sea, and fine clear weather.

Str. Algoa from United States:-Fine weather from Japan, with moderate N.E. wind. Str. Waishing from Wuhu:-Fresh N.E.

rienced strong monsoon and heavy seas as far N. as Paracels, thence to port moderate wind and sea.

Str Canton from Chefoo:-Between Dodd Island and Breaker Point encountered strong Telemachus, Br. s.s., 1,360, Williamson, 28th monsoon and high sea; rest of the passage, light winds and fine weather.

Steam	0: S	Expected

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Polynesien	Saigon	М. М.	Dec. 30
Awa Maru	ingapore.	N. Y. K,	Dec. 30
H'kong Maru.,	. Shanghai	P. M. Co	Dec. 31
Palermo	Singapore.	P. & O. Co.	Dec. 31
Alesia	.Singapore.	H. A. L	Jan. :
Bengal	, Singapore,	P. & O. Co.	Jan. 2
Kinshiu Maru.	. Japan	N. Y. K	Jan. 3
Athenian	. Japan	C.P.R. Co	174
"Kiautschou	Japan	M. & Co	Ian. 5
Sachsen	Colombo	M. & Co	Jan 8
China	San F'cisco	P. M. Co	lian. 10
Laisang	Calcutta	J. M. & Co.	llan, 10
Indravelli	Portland	P. & A. Co.	Jan. 19

Hongkong & Whampon Dock Returns. Tartar H.I.G.M.S. Maewe... H.M.S. Glory Wurzburg Hongkong Argus U.S.A.T. Sacramento Hankow Salamanca Cosmopolitan Paul Beau

Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward-ist December-Gleamin, Breizhuel, Howick Hull. 4th December-Wester, McGiloray, D. A. Chardouin. 8th December-Carl Chenan, Muelle, Ed. (Consul for Talati, Mr. and Mrs. M. 12th December-Keemun, Palms. 14th December-Macduff. 16th December-Glengyle, Neeson, Capt. J. Shanghai, Sachsen. 18th December-Seneca, Kintuck, Ernest Simons, Kamakura Maru. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. T. Workman, Jr., W. II. 22nd December-Antenor, Borneo, Sithonia, Kennebec, Gisela, Richmond Castle, Yaroslave. Homeward - 16th December - Freiburg.

t8th December-Tantalus, Saxonia, 22nd December-Hamburg . Arrivale at Home-rst December-Kent-

Vessels in Port.

STEAMERS. Driscoll, James Reyan and Sikoff. For Saigon Anping. Ch. s.s., 1,158, Richards, 26th Dec.,-Caston 25th Dec., Gen.-C. M. S. N. Co. Shanghai-Mr. Le Bitson. For Singapore from Bjorn, Norw. s.s., 722, Christensen, 26th Dec. -Korotsu 20th Dec., Chals.-C. & Co. Harrison, W. B. Bourbon, Fr. s.s., 2,100, Souchere, 11th Dec.,-Hudson, Mrs. Saigon 3rd Dec., Gen.-Wing Seng.

de Bonilla, and Mr. Mottley. From Shanghai- Calchas, Br. s.s., 4,278, Hannah, 28th Dec.,-Moji 22nd Dec., Gen.-B. & 9. Zrehson, Bucaille, Michaux, Tatibonet, Le Charles Tiberghien, Fr. s.s., 2,790, Roy, 25th. Barrett, H. Dec,-New York via Singapore and Babb, L. L.

Manila 13th Oct., Gen. D. & Co., Ld. Chingto, Br s.s., 1,459, Howie, 27th Dec., Bidder, M. Kobe 21st Dec., Gen.-B. & S. Clam, Br. s.s., 2,311, Evans, 23rd Dec., Balik Blake, Mr. and Mrs. Papau 11th Dec. Liquid Fuel.-Order. Magno, Horice Gay, L. Santos, Orient Clarke, Claverburn, Br. s.s., 2,358, Parker, R.N.R., 27th | Boggan, Mr. & Mrs. R. Dec.,-New York 27th Oct., Case Oil.- Bonner, E. A.

S. O. Co. Devawongse, Ger. s.s., 1,057, Kümpel, 28th Brown, W. S. Dec.,-Bangkok 16th Dec., Rice.-B. & S. Buck, Hart Elg, Norw, s.s., 708, Christophersen, 17th Dec., Clark, W. G. - Imoy 15th Dec., Ballast .- C. & Co.

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